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Arkansas Winter Weather Awareness Week is Monday, November 28th - Friday December 2nd #ARwx

Winter can bring a variety of hazardous weather conditions to Arkansas, including heavy snow, ice, and very cold conditions. In mid-February, 2021, Arctic air poured into the state. Thermometers showed below zero temperatures at times, and two storm systems dumped more than twenty inches of snow in places. Travel became difficult, water pipes broke, and some people lost power. In situations like this, it pays to be prepared. Otherwise, without transportation, water, and heat, your life may be threatened.

To help Arkansans get ready for winter's wrath, a special week has been set aside to review the long range forecast, offer helpful safety tips, and provide a comprehensive look at the hazards of winter. This educational opportunity will take place during Winter Weather Awareness Week, which runs from November 28th to December 2nd, 2022.

Also, we are excited to use our newly reconfigured zones in the Ozark and Ouachita Mountains (northern/western Arkansas) when winter forecasts and headlines are posted. These new zones will help us address elevation-dependent winter precipitation events, and issue more accurate products to local partners and customers.



In the pictures: Snowy scenes from central and eastern Arkansas in mid-February, 2021.

During Winter Weather Awareness Week, the following topics will be covered:

Monday: ***Outlook for the Upcoming Winter***

Tuesday: ***Winter Precipitation Types***

Wednesday: ***Winter Weather Watches, Warnings and Advisories***

Thursday: ***Winter Weather Safety Rules***

Friday: ***The Cold of Winter***

Each day we will release information via social media, our website, and NOAA Weather Radio featuring the content listed above. For more information, please visit: <https://www.weather.gov/lzk/win1a.htm>.